IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL	§	No. 12-md-2323 (AB)
LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION	§ §	MDL No. 2323
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	§ §	SHORT FORM COMPLAINT
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:	§	
	§	IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL
Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long-	§	LEAGUE PLAYERS'
Form Complaint and	§	CONCUSSION INJURY
	§	LITIGATION
LEE ROY JORDAN, ET AL	§	
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V.	§	
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THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE	8	
USDC, SDTX NO. 4:12-cv-01296	8	
USDC, EDPA NO. 12-2802	8	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
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SHORT FORM COMPLAINT

- 1. Plaintiff(s), <u>James Smith</u> and, if applicable,

 Plaintiff's Spouse) ______, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this Short Form Complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form

Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.

4.	[Fill in if applicable] Pl	aintiff is filing this cas	e in a representative capacity
as the	of	, having	been duly appointed as the
	By the	Court of	(Cross out
Sentence be	elow if not applicable.)	Copies of the Lette	rs of Administration/Letters
Testamentar	y for a wrongful death cla	nim are annexed hereto	o if such Letters are required
for the com	mencement of such a cla	im by the Probate, St	arrogate or other appropriate
court of the	jurisdiction of the deceder	ıt.	
5.	Plaintiff, James S	Smith is a res	ident and citizen of <u>Dallas</u> ,
TX	and claims damages as	set forth below.	
6.	[Fill in if applicable] Pl	aintiff's spouse,	, is a
resident and	citizen of	and claims dar	mages as a result of loss of
consortium	proximately caused by the	harm suffered by her	Plaintiff husband/decedent.
7.	On information and be	lief, the Plaintiff (or d	lecedent) sustained repetitive,

- traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts during NFL games and/or On information and belief, Plaintiff suffers (or decedent suffered) from practices. symptoms of brain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, the Plaintiff's (or decedent's) symptoms arise from injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.
- 8. [Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter was filed in the USDC, Southern District of Texas, Houston Division. If the case is

remanded, it should be remanded to the <u>USDC</u>, <u>Southern District of Texas</u>, <u>Houston Division</u>.

9.	Plaintiff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:
	✓ Injury to Herself/Himself;
	Injury to the Person Represented;
	Wrongful Death;
	Survivorship Action;
	✓ Economic Loss;
	Loss of Services;
	Loss of Consortium.
10.	[Fill in if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband,
	, Plaintiff's Spouse,, suffers from a
loss of consor	tium, including the following injuries:
	loss of marital services;
	loss of companionship, affection or society;
	loss of support; and
	monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to
expend for the	e heath care and personal care of her husband.
11.	[Check if applicable] \checkmark Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable)
reserve(s) the	right to object to federal jurisdiction.

DEFENDANTS

- 12. Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:
 - ✓ National Football League;
 - ✓ NFL Properties, LLC;
 - ✓ Riddell, Inc.;
 - ✓ All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.);
 - ✓ Riddell Sports Group, Inc.;
 - ✓ Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.;
 - ✓ Easton-Bell Sports, LLC
 - ✓ EB Sports Corporation;
 - ✓ RBG Holdings Corporation.
- 13. [Check where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above, the claims asserted are: ✓ design defect; ✓ informational defect; __manufacturing defect.
- 14. [Check if applicable] ✓ The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets designed and/or manufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff (or decedent) played in the NFL and/or AFL.
- 15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable) __the National Football League ("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] ✓ the American Football League ("AFL") during

1956 to 1962	and 1963 to 1964	for the following teams:	Cleveland
Browns and t	the Dallas Cowboys	•	
	CAUSES	OF ACTION	
16.	Plaintiff herein adopts by refe	erence the following Counts of the	Master
Administrati	ve Long-Form Complaint, alor	g with the factual allegations incor	porated by
Reference in	those Counts [check all that ap	oply]:	
	✓ Count I (Action for Decla	ratory Relief – Liability (Against t	he NFL);
	✓ Count II (Medical Monito	oring [Against the NFL]);	
	Count III (Wrongful Dea	th and Survival Actions [Against th	ne NFL]);
	✓ Count IV (Fraudulent Co	ncealment [Against the NFL]);	
	✓ Count V (Fraud [Against	the NFL]);	
	✓ Count VI (Negligent Mis	representation [Against the NFL]);	
	✓ Count VII Negligence Pr	e-1968 Against the NFL]);	
	Count VIII (Negligence l	Post-1968 [Against the NFL]);	
	Count IX (Negligence 19	87-1993 [Against the NFL]);	
	✓ Count X (Negligence Pos	t-1994 [Against the NFL]);	
	Count XI (Loss of Conso	tium [Against the NFL and Riddel	1
	Defendants]);		
	✓ Count XII (Negligent Hir	ing [Against the NFL]);	
	✓ Count XIII (Negligent Re	tention [Against the NFL]);	
	✓ Count XIV (Strict Liabili	ty for Design Defect [Against the	
	Riddell Defendants]);		
	Count XV (Strict Liabilit	y for Manufacturing Defect [Again	st the

		Riddell Defendants]);
		✓ Count XVI (Failure to Warn [Against the Riddell Defendants]);
		✓ Count XVII (Negligence [Against the Riddell Defendants]);
		✓ Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment [Against
		the NFL Defendants]).
	17.	Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or
attach]:	·	
		
PRAYER FOR RELIEF		
	Where	fore, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable), pray(s) for judgment
as follo	ws:	
	A.	An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be
		determined at trial;
	В.	For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
	C.	For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern
		this action;
	D.	For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form
		of equitable relief;
	E.	For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;

An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and

F.

G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

JURY DEMANDED

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

Respectfully submitted,

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